

Communion Practice: We believe that Christ is truly present in Holy Communion and, as we try to be faithful to Christ in the serving of this Sacrament, we ask that everyone be examined and instructed by the Pastor before receiving Holy Communion. All confirmed members of this parish, who have been regularly examined by the Pastor, are welcome to partake of the Holy Eucharist today. We also welcome the members who are in good standing of any of the parishes served by the Bishop, Pastors, and Deacons of The Evangelical Lutheran Diocese of North America (ELDoNA), and who have spoken to the Pastor prior to the service. Members of other Lutheran parishes or other denominations are kindly asked to refrain from communing today. The Pastor would be glad to make an appointment with anyone to discuss our teachings and/or our parish.

A Prayer upon Entering Church

Almighty, Ever-Living God, grant that I may gladly hear Thy Word and that all my worship may be acceptable unto Thee; through Jesus Christ, my Lord. Amen.

A Prayer before Communion

Dear Savior, upon Thy gracious invitation I come to Thine Altar. Let me find favor in Thine eyes that I may approach Thy Table in true faith and receive the Sacrament to the salvation of my soul. Amen.

A Prayer after Communion

O Thou blessed Savior Jesus Christ, Who hast given Thyself to me in this holy Sacrament, keep me in Thy faith and favor; as Thou livest in me, let me also live in Thee. May Thy holy Body and Blood preserve me in the true faith unto everlasting life. Amen.

A Prayer at the Close of the Service

Grant, I beseech Thee, Almighty God, that the Word which I have heard this day may through Thy grace be so engrafted in my heart that I may bring forth the fruit of the Spirit; through Jesus Christ, my Lord. Amen.

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The Fourth Sunday after Trinity Sunday
July 5th, 2020

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“Therefore be merciful, just as your Father also is merciful.” St. Luke 6:36

The Order of Divine Service

The Prelude	<i>“All’ Ehr’ und Lob”</i>	George Th. Miles
The Ringing of the Bell		
Silent Prayer		
The Hymn	<i>“Creator Spirit, by Whose Aid”</i>	Δ TLH 236
<i>Stand</i>		
The Confiteor		
The Invocation and Address		TLH p. 15
Versicles		TLH p. 15
Confession and Absolution		TLH p. 16
The Introit	<i>(Tone 4)</i>	INSERT
The Kyrie		TLH p. 17
The Gloria in Excelsis		TLH p. 17-19
The Salutation		TLH p. 19
The Collect for the Day		INSERT
<i>Sit</i>		
The Lesson		Isaiah 58:6-12
<i>After each Lesson: V: This is the Word of the Lord.</i>		
R: Thanks be to God.		
The Epistle		Romans 8:18-23
The Gradual		INSERT
The Verse		INSERT
<i>Stand</i>		
The Triple Hallelujah	<i>(First Setting)</i>	TLH p. 20
The Holy Gospel		St. Luke 6:36-42
The Nicene Creed		TLH p. 22
<i>Sit</i>		
The Hymn	<i>“Lord Jesus Christ, Thou Highest Good”</i>	INSERT
The Sermon	<i>Your Father Also Is Merciful</i>	
<i>Stand</i>		
The Offertory	<i>“Create in Me A Clean Heart, O God”</i>	TLH p. 22-23
<i>Sit</i>		
The Recitation of the Catechism	How One Should Be Taught to Pray	
<i>Stand</i>		
The General Prayer		TLH p. 23
<i>Sit</i> *		
Hymn	<i>“O God, Thou Faithful God”</i>	TLH 395
<i>Stand</i>		
The Preface		TLH p. 24
The Proper Preface		TLH p. 25
The Sanctus and Benedictus		TLH p. 26
The Lord’s Prayer		TLH p. 27
The Verba Domini		TLH p. 27

The Pax Domini		TLH p. 27
The Agnus Dei		TLH p. 28
<i>Sit</i>		
The Distribution		
<i>Stand</i>		
The Post-Communion Canticle	<i>“The Nunc Dimittis”</i>	TLH p. 29-30
The Thanksgiving	<i>(“And His mercy endureth forever”)</i>	TLH p. 30
The Post-Communion Collect		TLH p. 31
<i>Sit</i>		
The Hymn	<i>“O Faithful God, Thanks Be to Thee”</i>	TLH 321
<i>Stand</i>		
The Salutation		TLH p. 31
The Benedicamus		TLH p. 31
The Benediction		TLH p. 31
Silent Prayer		
<i>Sit</i>		
The Postlude	<i>“Wenn wir in höchsten Nöten”</i>	Johann Michael Bach
Announcements		

*—An Alms Basin is located next to the bulletins for any Offerings.

Δ—indicates a hymn ending in a Doxological stanza; please stand.

In Our Prayers:

- For all those who are sick or infirmed, especially, *Emily Benson, Peggy Holder, Jo Kope, Betty Ramsey, Brandon Dennie, Nellie Noegel, Judy Horn, Richard Noegel, Patricia Bachand, Tamara Jack, Mike Miller, Barbara Miller, Matthew Scholten, Vince Bost, Janice Heitener, Ray Heitener, Pat Stefanski, Sherrill Smithey, Rev. Floyd Smithey, Martin Kope, Bill Kope, Sally Kope, David Heiser, Rev. Eric Stefanski, and Rev. Mark Mueller.*
- For *Silvia diGregorio* that her faith may be strengthened.
- For our bishop, the *Rt. Rev. James D. Heiser.*
- For the parishes served by our diocese, especially, *Iglesia Confesional de Colombia, Medellin, Columbia;* and her pastor, the *Rev. Carlos Mario Marin.*
- For our seminary, *St. Ignatius Evangelical Theological Lutheran Seminary.*
- For all those who serve in the military, especially, *Nicholas Silva.*
- For those struggling with addiction, especially, *Thomas Allred and John Monahan.*
- For those affected by the coronavirus.
- For those who are suffering unemployment.
- For those near death.
- For those celebrating a birthday this week.
- For those celebrating an anniversary this week, especially *Pastor and Tanya Dulas.*
- For those traveling this week.

Announcements

Daily Readings for the Week after the Fourth Sunday after Trinity

	Morning	Evening
Today	2 Kings 11-12; Matt. 5:43-48	2 Kings 13-14; Romans 14:7-17
Monday:	2 Kings 15-16; Acts 27:1-44	2 Kings 17-18; 1 Samuel 9:1-27
Tuesday:	2 Kings 19-20; Acts 28:1-31	2 Kings 21-22; 1 Samuel 10:1-27
Wednesday:	2 Kings 23-24; Rom. 1:1-15	2 Kings 25; 1 Samuel 12:1-25
Thursday:	1 Chron. 1-2; Rom. 1:16-32	1 Chronicles 3-4; 1 Samuel 13:1-14
Friday:	1 Chron. 5-6; Rom. 2:1-29	1 Chronicles 7-8; 1 Samuel 15:1-35
Saturday:	1 Chron. 9-10; Rom. 3:1-31	1 Chronicles 11-12; 1 Samuel 16:1-23

Praying the Psalter Daily in Matins and Vespers:

	Morning	Evening
Today:	Psalms 119, Part IV, 31-32	Psalms 92, 33-34
Monday:	Psalms 119, Part IV, 35	Psalms 92, 36-37
Tuesday:	Psalms 119, Part IV, 38	Psalms 92, 39-41
Wednesday:	Psalms 119, Part IV, 42-44	Psalms 92, 45-48
Thursday:	Psalms 119, Part IV, 49	Psalms 92, 50-51
Friday:	Psalms 119, Part IV, 52-54	Psalms 92, 55-57
Saturday:	Psalms 119, Part IV, 58-59	Psalms 113, 60-63

Book of Concord Readings for the Week:

Monday: The Smalcald Articles, Part I.Art.I.1—Part II.Art.I.5
Tuesday: The Smalcald Articles, Part II.Art.II.1-15
Wednesday: The Smalcald Articles, Part II.Art.II.16—Art.III.2
Thursday: The Smalcald Articles, Part II.Art.IV.1-16
Friday: The Smalcald Articles, Part III.Art.I.1—Art.II.5

Reciting the Catechism Daily:

Sunday: The Ten Commandments
Monday: The Apostles' Creed, The Lord's Prayer
Tuesday: Holy Baptism, The Office of the Keys and Confession
Wednesday: The Sacrament of the Altar

Thursday: The Prayers

Friday: The Table of Duties

Saturday: Christian Questions with Their Answers

Hymns for the Week:

Morning: INSERT—"Lord Jesus Christ, Thou Highest Good"

Evening: TLH 287—"That Man a Godly Life Might Live"

Calendar for the Week after the Fourth Sunday after Trinity Sunday

Today: The Fourth Sunday after Trinity Sunday—Green

10:00 a.m. Divine Service

11:15 a.m. Bible class

3:00 p.m. Divine Service in Augusta, GA

4:15 p.m. Bible Class in Augusta, GA

Monday: Pastor and Tanya's Anniversary

Tuesday: No Events Scheduled

Wednesday: No Events Scheduled

Thursday: No Events Scheduled

Friday: No Events Scheduled

Saturday: No Events Scheduled

Next Sunday: The Fifth Sunday after Trinity Sunday—Green

10:00 a.m. Küster Service

Pastor Dulas on Vacation

The Lutheran Herald

The July issue of "The Lutheran Herald," the devotional booklet of the ELDoNA, is now available. It can be found on Facebook at: <http://tinyurl.com/LutheranHerald>. There are also printed copies in the back of the nave.

Needs for the McCall Hospice House

There is need at the hospice house for the following items: Hard Candy (individually wrapped) any kind, mints included; Chips, individual size, any kind; Ponytail Holders; Notebooks and notepads; Men's deodorant; Hair brushes; Q-Tips; Toothpaste, in regular and travel size; and Individual teeth flossers.

Other needs for in-home patients: XL Twin Sheet Sets; Ensure, any kind; and Baby wipes and adult wipes. Please give all collected items to Mike Miller.

Ask the Pastor

The Rev. Joshua Sullivan of Holy Cross Ev. Luth. Church, Kerrville, TX puts out weekly videos dealing with a wide range of theological topics. Please check them out and subscribe to be notified when a new one is published at <http://www.youtube.com/user/ATPHolyCross>.

Installation of Deacon Smithey

The installation of the Rev. Dcn. Floyd Smithey, Jr will be held on July 26th, 2020 at his home in Knoxville, TN. The Order of Vespers will begin at 6:00 p.m. If you are able, please make every effort to attend the installation of our new deacon.

To Read in Preparation for this week's Festivals:

Today—The Fourth Sunday after Trinity Sunday

Old Testament Lesson:

Isaiah 58:6-12

Epistle:

Romans 8:18-23

Gospel:

St. Luke 6:36-42

July 12th—The Fifth Sunday after Trinity Sunday

Old Testament Lesson:

Jeremiah 16:14-21

Epistle:

1 Peter 3:8-15a

Gospel:

St. Luke 5:1-11

An Excerpt from Luther's Writings

"Therefore, observe here what a perversion it is for man to exercise himself in doing works to God, which should be done to his neighbor; and then centers his faith in men and saints, which he should center alone in God. Turn this around, and then it is right, thus: faith must belong alone to God, whoever receives the divine works, God alone does them, and the same works of God we receive alone through faith. Then we should apply ourselves to our neighbor and arrange all our affairs to the end that they serve our neighbor. Before God all should be done in pure faith alone. The reason of this is because no one can help us but God, and what we have in body and soul we have alone from God, and in Him alone should we anchor our heart." *From Martin Luther's sermon for the Fourth Sunday after Trinity, 1523.*

THE FOURTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY SUNDAY

July 5th, 2020



Introit

P: THE LORD - || is my light and my Salvation; whom | shall | I |
fear? | - *

C: The Lord is the strength of my life; of whom shall I be | a- | fraid?

P: || When the wicked | came | a- | gainst | me, *

C: My enemies and foes, they stumbled | and | fell. (*Psalm 27:1-2*)

P: || Though an army may en- | camp | a- | gainst | me, *

C: My heart shall | not | fear;

P: || Though war should | rise | a- | gainst | me, *

C: In this I will be con- | fi- | dent.

P: || One thing I have desired of the Lord, that | will | I | seek: | - *

C: That I may dwell in the house of the Lord all the days of | my |
life,

P: || For in the time of trouble He shall hide me in | His | pa- | vil- | ion; *

C: He shall set me high upon | a | rock. (*Psalm 27:3a, 3b-5*)

GLORIA PATRI (From Hymnal)

P: || The Lord is my light and my Salvation; whom | shall | I | fear? | - *

C: The Lord is the strength of my life; of whom shall I be | a- | fraid?

P: || When the wicked | came | a- | gainst | me, *

C: My enemies and foes, they stumbled | and | fell. (*Psalm 27:1-2*)

Collect

Grant, O Lord, we beseech Thee, that the course of this world may be so peaceably ordered by Thy governance, that Thy Church may joyfully serve Thee in all godly quietness; through Jesus Christ, Thy Son, our Lord, Who liveth and reigneth with Thee, and the Holy Ghost, ever one God, world without end.



Gradual

P: || Provide atonement for our | sins, | O | Lord, | - *

C: Why should the nations say, “Where is | their | God?”

P: || Help us, O God of | our | sal- | va- | tion, *

C: For the glory of Your name, deliv- | er | us. (*Psalm 79:9b, 10a, 9a*)

Verse

P: || Al- | — | le- | lu- | ia! *

C: Alle- | lu- | ia!

P: || O God, You sat on the throne judg- | ing | in | *right-eous-* · | ness; *

C: Be a Refuge for the oppressed in times of trouble. Alle- | lu- | ia!
(*Psalm 9:4b, 9b*)

Isaiah 58:6-12

⁶ “Is this not the fast that I have chosen: To loose the bonds of wickedness, to undo the heavy burdens, to let the oppressed go free, and that you break every yoke? ⁷ Is it not to share your bread with the hungry, and that you bring to your house the poor who are cast out; When you see the naked, that you cover him, and not hide yourself from your own flesh? ⁸ Then your light shall break forth like the morning, your healing shall spring forth speedily, and your righteousness shall go before you; The glory of the LORD shall be your rear guard. ⁹ Then you shall call, and the LORD will answer; you shall cry, and He will say, ‘Here I am.’ If you take away the yoke from your midst, the pointing of the finger, and speaking wickedness, ¹⁰ if you extend your soul to the hungry and satisfy the afflicted soul, then your light shall dawn in the darkness, and your darkness shall be as the noonday. ¹¹ The LORD will guide you continually, and satisfy your soul in drought, and strengthen your bones; You shall be like a watered garden, and like a spring of water, whose waters do not fail. ¹² Those from among you shall build the old waste places; You shall raise up the foundations of many generations; And you shall be called the Repairer of the Breach, The Restorer of Streets to Dwell In.”

Romans 8:18-23

¹⁸ For I consider that the sufferings of this present time are not worthy to be compared with the glory which shall be revealed in us. ¹⁹ For the earnest expectation of the creation eagerly waits for the revealing of the sons of God. ²⁰ For the creation was subjected to futility, not willingly, but because of Him who subjected it in hope; ²¹ because the creation itself also will be delivered

from the bondage of corruption into the glorious liberty of the children of God. ²² For we know that the whole creation groans and labors with birth pangs together until now. ²³ Not only that, but we also who have the firstfruits of the Spirit, even we ourselves groan within ourselves, eagerly waiting for the adoption, the redemption of our body.

St. Luke 6:36-42

³⁶ “Therefore be merciful, just as your Father also is merciful.” ³⁷ Judge not, and you shall not be judged. Condemn not, and you shall not be condemned. Forgive, and you will be forgiven. ³⁸ Give, and it will be given to you: good measure, pressed down, shaken together, and running over will be put into your bosom. For with the same measure that you use, it will be measured back to you.” ³⁹ And He spoke a parable to them: “Can the blind lead the blind? Will they not both fall into the ditch? ⁴⁰ A disciple is not above his teacher, but everyone who is perfectly trained will be like his teacher. ⁴¹ And why do you look at the speck in your brother’s eye, but do not perceive the plank in your own eye? ⁴² Or how can you say to your brother, ‘Brother, let me remove the speck that is in your eye,’ when you yourself do not see the plank that is in your own eye? Hypocrite! First remove the plank from your own eye, and then you will see clearly to remove the speck that is in your brother’s eye.”

TLH 236 “Creator Spirit, by Whose Aid”

Ascribed to Rhabanus Maurus, died 856

1. Creator Spirit, by whose aid
The world’s foundations first were laid,
Come, visit ev’ry humble mind;
Come, pour Thy joys on humankind;
From sin and sorrow set us free
And make Thy temples worthy Thee.
2. O Source of uncreated light,
The Father’s promised Paraclete,
Thrice holy Fount, thrice holy Fire,
Our hearts with heav’nly love inspire.
Come and Thy sacred unction bring
To sanctify us while we sing.
3. Plenteous of grace, descend from high
Rich in Thy sev’nfold energy;
Make us eternal truths receive
And practice all that we believe.
Give us Thyself that we may see
The Father and the Son by Thee.
- Δ 4. Immortal honor, endless fame,
Attend th’ almighty Father’s Name;
The Savior Son be glorified,
Who for lost man’s redemption died;
And equal adoration be,
Eternal Paraclete, to Thee. Amen.

INSERT “Lord Jesus Christ, Thou Highest Good”

Bartholomäus Ringwaldt, 1588

1. Lord Jesus Christ, Thou highest good!
To Whom Thy ransomed flee,
Behold in penitential mood
A suppliant bows to Thee.
Thro’ Thee I seek the Father’s throne,
Forgiveness ask through Thee alone,
And strength for holy living.
2. Beneath a load of guilt I sigh;
Relieve my fainting heart—
Thou Who in mortal agony
Didst bear my sin and smart.
Of Thee alone I crave relief;
Leave me not now in fear and grief
And dark despair to perish.
3. O where for comfort shall I turn,
When I the past survey?
How oft I’ve dared Thy grace to spurn,

And cast my bliss away:
Yet Thine availing merit, Lord,
Deliverance and peace afford;
Thy word is all my solace.

4. This word, forever precious, saith
The humble, contrite mind
That looks to Thee in simple faith
Shall full salvation find;
And then, from sin’s dominion free,
Display true thankfulness to Thee,
Devoted to Thy glory.

5. To Thee I come at Thy behest,
Atoner of my sin!
Forgiveness and the promised rest
Through Thy desert to win.
Be merciful, my God, to me,
And let no more remembered be
The days of sin and folly.

6. Teach me, O Lord, before Thy face
This wayward heart to still;
With joyfulness to run my race,
And do Thy blessed will.
In a plain path do Thou me guide,
That faithful I may still abide,
And quit me to Thine honor.

7. And pour Thine oil of joy on me
When, the last moment nigh,
The parting spirit would be free
To join Thy saints on high.
Then may Thy death, Lord, cheer my heart;
And in Thy faith may I depart
To dwell with Thee forever. Amen.

TLH 395 “O God, Thou Faithful God”

Johann Heermann, 1630

1. O God, Thou faithful God,
Thou Fountain ever flowing,
Who good and perfect gifts
In mercy art bestowing,
Give me a healthy frame,
And may I have within
A conscience free from blame,
A soul unhurt by sin!
2. Grant Thou me strength to do
With ready heart and willing
Whate’er Thou shalt command,
My calling here fulfilling;
To do it when I ought,

With all my might, and bless
The work I thus have wrought,
For Thou must give success.

3. Oh, let me never speak
What bounds of truth exceedeth;
Grant that no idle word
From out my mouth proceedeth;
And then, when in my place
I must and ought to speak,
My words grant pow'r and grace
Lest I offend the weak.

4. If dangers gather round,
Still keep me calm and fearless;
Help me to bear the cross
When life is dark and cheerless;
And let me win my foe
With words and actions kind.
When counsel I would know,
Good counsel let me find.

5. And let me with all men,
As far as in me lieth,
In peace and friendship live.
And if Thy gift supplieth
Great wealth and honor fair,
Then this refuse me not,
That naught be mingled there
Of goods unjustly got.

6. If Thou a longer life
Hast here on Earth decreed me;
If Thou through many ills
To age at length wilt lead me,
Thy patience on me shed.
Avert all sin and shame
And crown my hoary head
With honor free from blame.

7. Let me depart this life
Confiding in my Savior;
Do Thou my soul receive
That it may live forever;
And let my body have
A quiet resting-place
Within a Christian grave;
And let it sleep in peace.

8. And on that solemn Day
When all the dead are waking,
Stretch o'er my grave Thy hand,
Thyself my slumbers breaking.
Then let me hear Thy voice,

Change Thou this earthly frame,
And bid me aye rejoice
With those who love Thy Name. Amen.

TLH 321 "O Faithful God, Thanks Be to Thee"
Nikolaus Selnecker, 1572

1. O faithful God, thanks be to Thee
Who dost forgive iniquity.
Thou grantest help in sin's distress,
And soul and body dost Thou bless.

2. Thy servant now declares to me:
"Thy sins are all forgiven thee.
Depart in peace, but sin no more
And e'er My pard'ning grace adore."

3. O Lord, we bless Thy gracious heart,
For Thou Thyself dost heal our smart
Thro' Christ our Savior's precious Blood,
Which for the sake of sinners flowed.

4. Give us Thy Spirit, peace afford
Now and forever, gracious Lord.
Preserve to us till life is spent
Thy holy Word and Sacrament. Amen.

Lord Jesus Christ, Thou Highest Good

Bartholomäus Ringwaldt, 1588

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smart. Of Thee a - lone I crave re - lief; Leave me not now in
way: Yet Thine a - vail - ing me - rit, Lord, De - liv - er - ance and

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